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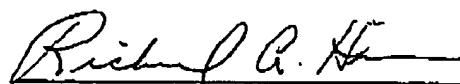
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed October 20, 2005, the Applicants submit the remarks and arguments provided herein.

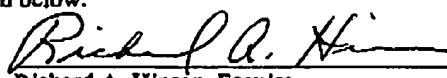
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